

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 586

By Henry

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the Junior League of Nashville upon the celebration of its 80th anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable organizations dedicated to improving the quality of life of citizens through educational and charitable activities; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League of Nashville is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League reaches out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who demonstrate an interest in, and commitment to, voluntarism; the organization's programs are exclusively educational and charitable; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League of Nashville was established in April 10, 1922, under the leadership of Cornelia Keeble Ewing; during its 80-year history, the Junior League of Nashville has enhanced the community with the spirit of voluntarism and substantial funding to support hundreds of agencies; and

WHEREAS, with a current membership of 2000, the Junior League of Nashville provides over 100,000 volunteers annually to agencies in the areas of Abuse and Neglect, Health,

Children and Families at Risk, Voluntarism and Quality of Life, and Educational Disadvantage;
and

WHEREAS, the Junior League of Nashville's Home for Crippled Children, established in 1923, was the genesis of Vanderbilt University's Children's Hospital; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League of Nashville founded more than 20 agencies that continue to thrive and care for the community, including: Nashville Children's Theater, Dede Wallace Center, CASA, Recovery Residences of Nashville, Our Kids, Kare for Kids, The Nashville Chapter of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Renewal House, and the Junior League Child Care Center at the Red Shield Family Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League of Nashville donated the lead gift of \$2,000,000 to the Monroe Carrell Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and a founding gift of \$1,000,000 to the new downtown branch of the Nashville Public Library; and

WHEREAS, the Junior league of Nashville is committed to continuing its tradition of training women for volunteer service, and it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to honor and commend this excellent community-focused, volunteer training organization; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend the officers and members - past, present and future - of the Junior League of Nashville on the occasion of their 80th anniversary, reflecting with deep appreciation on their numerous contributions to their community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we offer them much continued success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.